

Christ Church Grosse Pointe

Annual Meeting Agenda

Call to Order and Opening Prayer — The Rev. Dr. Andrew MacBeth, Interim Rector

Appointments by the Chair

Secretary — Hope Hoffman

Chief Teller— Gerhard Heinen

Introduction of the Vestry Nominees and First Ballot

Acknowledgement of Written Reports

Report of the Treasurer — Amie Sweeney

Report of the Senior Warden — Peggy Beadle

Address of the Interim Rector

Report on Rector Search — Ted Hagan

(as soon as available) Report of the Tellers

(Additional ballots as necessary)

Mission

The mission of Christ Church Grosse Pointe is to bring God and people together to know and live the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Adopted 1999

Vision

A beacon of God's love, Christ Church Grosse Pointe is a welcoming, compassionate and inclusive community overflowing with activity seven days a week. People of all ages and from all walks of life flock to this Christian center and become involved in its life, finding themselves spiritually nourished, educationally enriched, and empowered to serve as they live the Gospel joyfully. Christ Church embraces growth, serving the needs of today's and tomorrow's generations while maintaining the glories of its Anglican worship and traditions.

Rector Search Update

Ted Hagan, Profile Committee Chair

2011 has been an eventful year as Christ Church Grosse Pointe searches for its 10th rector.

At its March 21 meeting, the Vestry appointed 11 parishioners to serve as the group to ultimately make the recommendation to them for our new rector. This group has been meeting weekly since it was formed and will continue its work into 2012.

The committee, composed of Lori Boeckler, Libby Candler, Richard Gibson, Ted Hagan, Paula Labadie, Polly Ledyard, Scottie Knight, Kim McNulty, George Nicholson, Blair Osborne, and David Redfield, set out with an initial objective to create the Christ Church Grosse Pointe Parish Profile.

Drawing upon the work done by the Moving Forward Committee and other congregational summits, as well as a parish-wide survey, the "Profile Committee" created a multi-faceted synopsis of who Christ Church has been, who we think we are, and what we believe we want to be in the years ahead. This "portrait" of Christ Church was the end result of many hours of discussion, and reflects, we believe, our past, present, and future.

The physical creation of the profile – the synthesizing of words, pictures, and design — would not have been possible without the thoughtful deliberation of the committee augmented by the exceptional efforts of some of our committee

members and parishioners who volunteered their time and immense talents. Scottie Knight took much of the information created by the committee – some finished product and some rather raw concepts – and turned them into the beautiful words that fill our profile. Kathy Anslow and Emily Tennyson added their gifts of proofreading. Libby Candler and Dan Hughes looked through years' worth of pictures. All this was placed into the talented hands of Dan Hughes who spent countless hours creating the stunning layout that is our Parish Profile.

If you have not had a chance to spend some time with the profile, I recommend that everyone go to the Christ Church website, read it, and find yourself in the words, pictures, and spirit of our profile.

The Parish Profile was completed in September and the initial committee transitioned into the currently active Interview Committee. This group consists solely of those initially appointed by the Vestry and has put our profile into action, using it as a tool to work with the Diocese to locate, interview and evaluate candidates for the next rector of Christ Church. It is this group that will ultimately make the recommendation to the Vestry to call a new rector.

On November 15, 2011, our search officially began as the Diocese began receiving candidate information on our behalf. These potential rectors are currently being vetted by the Canon to the Ordinary and Bishop.

As we look forward to 2012, the committee is excited to begin the process of distilling the names received from the Diocese. Through a series of interviews and visits with potential candidates, much reflection and discernment, it is our goal to provide a recommendation to the vestry for their call of a new rector to join us this summer.

The Interview Committee asks for your continued prayers for our parish and our committee as we do whenever we gather:

Almighty God, we thank you for your steadfast presence with us as we seek a faithful Rector to lead Christ Church Grosse Pointe. Guide the deliberations of this committee - that our ears will be open to hear your voice and to listen to one another. Open our eyes to see the path ahead with clarity and discernment and to follow you in all things. Open our hearts to the truth of your will for this congregation. Help us to put aside all selfish desires and grant us energy for the journey, patience with the process, and courage in decision making. Send your holy spirit into our midst to bless and strengthen us and to call the shepherd priest that you have prepared for Christ Church. In the name of your son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen